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## IN THE CLAIMS

Please amend the claims as follows:

1. (Currently Amended) An information processing apparatus having functions for recording contents recorded on a first recording medium onto a second recording medium storage unit of said apparatus, said apparatus comprising:

recording means unit for recording the contents of the first recording medium onto the second recording medium storage unit;

storing means unit for storing information regarding each track on the first recording medium of the contents as recording history information in said apparatus at the time the contents of the first recording medium are recorded onto the second recording medium storage unit by said recording means unit;

means <u>determining unit</u> for determining whether a track on the first recording medium was previously recorded or not <u>onto the storage unit</u> by said recording <u>means unit</u> based on said recording history information <u>stored in said apparatus</u>; and

display means control unit for controlling displaying display of information regarding a track that was not previously recorded as determined by said determining means unit, wherein said display means control unit initially indicates the track that was not previously recorded as being selected for recording by said recording means unit from the first recording medium to the second recording medium storage unit.

2. (Previously Presented) An information processing apparatus according to claim 1, wherein said recording history information contains audio recording history information which records the number of times that audio recording has been made for each track of the

first recording medium, title saving information of the contents, and play list information.

3. (Currently Amended) An information processing method for an information processing apparatus having functions for recording contents recorded on a first recording medium onto a second recording medium storage unit of the apparatus, said method comprising:

a recording step for recording the contents of the first recording medium onto the second recording medium storage unit;

a storing step for storing information regarding each track of the contents on the first recording medium as recording history information in the apparatus at the time the contents of the first recording medium are recorded onto the second recording medium storage unit in said recording step;

a step for determining whether a track on the first recording medium was previously recorded or not to the storage unit of the apparatus based on said recording history information stored in the apparatus;

a display control step for displaying controlling display of information regarding a track that was not previously recorded to the apparatus, wherein the track that was not previously recorded is initially indicated as being selected for recording in said recording step from the first recording medium to the second recording medium storage unit.

4. (Currently Amended) A program storing medium recording a computer-readable information processing program for controlling an information processing apparatus having functions for recording contents recorded on a first recording medium onto a second recording medium storage unit of the apparatus, said program comprising:

code for a recording control step for controlling recording of the contents of the first recording medium onto the second recording medium storage unit;

code for a storing control step for controlling storing of information regarding each track of the contents on the first recording medium as recording history information in the apparatus at the time the contents of the first recording medium are recorded onto the second recording medium storage unit in said recording control step;

code for a step for determining whether a track on the first recording medium was previously recorded or not to the <u>storage unit of the</u> apparatus based on said recording history information stored in the apparatus;

code for a display control step for displaying controlling display of information regarding a track that was not previously recorded to the apparatus, wherein the track that was not previously recorded is initially indicated as being selected for recording in said recording control step from the first recording medium to the second recording medium storage unit.

5. (Currently Amended) The information processing apparatus according to Claim 1, further comprising checking-in means for rendering unusable the contents recorded onto the a second recording medium from the first recording medium,

wherein said recording history information storing means unit is further configured for storing information regarding the contents as recording history information at the time of the contents recorded onto the second recording medium being rendered unusable, and

wherein said recording history information includes a check-out number which is decremented when said recording means unit records the contents on the first recording

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medium onto the second recording medium and is incremented when said checking in means renders unusable the contents recorded onto the second recording medium from the first recording medium.

- 6. (Currently Amended) The information processing apparatus according to Claim 1, wherein said display means control unit is configured to display indicia indicating manual selection or deselection of tracks for recording by said recording means unit from the first recording medium to the second recording medium storage unit.
- 7. (Currently Amended) The information processing apparatus according to Claim 1, wherein said display means control unit displays indicia indicating whether or not recorded history information is present in said apparatus for the contents of the first recording medium.
- 8. (Currently Amended) The information processing method according to Claim 3, further comprising a checking in step for rendering unusable the contents recorded onto the <u>a</u> second recording medium from the first recording medium,

wherein said storing step further stores information regarding the contents as recording history information at the time of the contents recorded onto the second recording medium being rendered unusable, and

wherein said recording history information includes a check-out number which is decremented when said recording step records the contents on the first recording medium onto the second recording medium and is incremented when said checking in step renders unusable the contents recorded onto the second recording medium from the first recording medium.

9. (Currently Amended) The information processing method according to Claim 3,

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wherein said display <u>control</u> step displays indicia indicating manual selection or deselection of tracks for recording in said recording step from the first recording medium to the <del>second</del> recording medium storage unit.

- 10. (Currently Amended) The information processing method according to Claim 3, wherein said display control step displays indicia indicating whether or not recorded history information is present in said apparatus for the contents of the first recording medium.
- 11. (Currently Amended) The program according to Claim 4, further comprising code for a checking in control step for controlling the rendering unusable of the contents recorded onto the a second recording medium from the first recording medium,

wherein the code for the storing control step further controls storing of information regarding the contents as recording history information at the time of the contents recorded onto the second recording medium being rendered unusable in said checking in control step, and

wherein said recording history information includes a check-out number which is decremented when said recording control step records the contents on the first recording medium onto the second recording medium and is incremented when said checking in control step renders unusable the contents recorded onto the second recording medium from the first recording medium.

12. (Currently Amended) The program according to Claim 4, wherein said code for the display control step displays indicia indicating manual selection or deselection of tracks for recording in said recording control step from the first recording medium to the second recording medium storage unit.

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13. (Currently Amended) The program according to Claim 4, wherein said code for the display control step displays indicia indicating whether or not recorded history information is present in said apparatus for the contents of the first recording medium.

14. (Currently Amended) An information processing apparatus for transferring contents from a first recording medium to a second recording medium, said apparatus comprising:

means for determining whether or not recorded history information is present in said apparatus for the contents of the first recording medium;

means for selecting a portion or portions of the contents for recording from the first recording medium to the second recording medium;

means for recording the selected portion or selected portions of the contents from the first recording medium to the second recording medium;

means for storing recorded history information regarding the selected portion or selected portions of the contents recorded from the first recording medium to the second recording medium; and

means for displaying indicia a list indicating the selected portion or selected portions and a non-selected portion or non-selected portions of the contents,

wherein said recording means records from the first recording medium to the second recording medium the displayed selected portion or selected portions, and

wherein said selecting means initially, automatically selects <u>portion or</u> portions of the contents of the first recording medium for recording that do not have recorded history information present in said apparatus, <u>and wherein said selecting means initially does not</u>

select portion or portions of the contents of the first recording medium for recording that have recorded history information present in said apparatus.

- 15. (Previously Presented) The information processing apparatus according to Claim 14, wherein said selecting means is configured to allow manual selection or deselection of portions of the contents of the first recording medium for recording from the first recording medium to the second recording medium.
  - 16. (Canceled)
- 17. (Previously Presented) The information processing apparatus according to Claim 14, further comprising means for displaying indicia indicating whether or not recorded history information is present in said apparatus for the contents of the first recording medium.
- 18. (Currently Amended) An information processing method for an information processing apparatus for transferring contents from a first recording medium to a second recording medium, said method comprising:

determining whether or not recorded history information is present in said apparatus for the contents of the first recording medium;

selecting a portion or portions of the contents for recording from the first recording medium to the second recording medium;

recording the selected portion or selected portions of the contents from the first recording medium to the second recording medium;

storing recorded history information regarding the selected portion or selected portions of the contents recorded from the first recording medium to the second recording medium; and

displaying indicia a list indicating the selected portion or selected portions and a non-selected portion or non-selected portions of the contents,

wherein said recording step records from the first recording medium to the second recording medium the displayed selected portion or selected portions, and

wherein said selecting step includes initially, automatically selecting portion or portions of the contents of the first recording medium for recording that do not have recorded history information present in said apparatus, and wherein said selecting step initially does not select portion or portions of the contents of the first recording medium for recording that have recorded history information present in said apparatus.

19. (Previously Presented) The information processing method according to Claim
18, wherein said selecting step includes allowing manual selection or deselection of portions
of the contents of the first recording medium for recording from the first recording medium to
the second recording medium.

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- 20. (Canceled)
- 21. (Previously Presented) The information processing method according to Claim 18, further comprising displaying indicia indicating whether or not recorded history information is present in said apparatus for the contents of the first recording medium.
- 22. (Currently Amended) A program storing medium recording a computer-readable information processing program for controlling an information processing apparatus for transferring contents from a first recording medium to a second recording medium, said program comprising:

code for determining whether or not recorded history information is present in said

apparatus for the contents of the first recording medium;

code for selecting a portion or portions of the contents for recording from the first recording medium to the second recording medium;

code for controlling recording of the selected portion or selected portions of the contents from the first recording medium to the second recording medium;

code for controlling storing of recorded history information regarding the selected portion or selected portions of the contents recorded from the first recording medium to the second recording medium; and

code for controlling displaying of indicia a list indicating the selected portion or selected portions and a non-selected portion or non-selected portions of the contents,

wherein said code for controlling recording is configured to control recording from the first recording medium to the second recording medium the displayed selected portion or selected portions, and

wherein said code for selecting is configured to initially, automatically select <u>portion</u> or portions of the contents of the first recording medium for recording that do not have recorded history information present in said apparatus, and wherein said code for selecting initially does not select portion or portions of the contents of the first recording medium for recording that have recorded history information present in said apparatus.

23. (Previously Presented) The program according to Claim 22, wherein said code for selecting is configured to allow manual selection or deselection of portions of the contents of the first recording medium for recording from the first recording medium to the second recording medium.

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24. (Canceled)

25. (Previously Presented) The program according to Claim 22, further comprising code for controlling displaying of indicia indicating whether or not recorded history

information is present in said apparatus for the contents of the first recording medium.

26. (New) An information processing apparatus according to Claim 1, further

comprising:

judging unit for judging whether a predetermined recording medium is mounted to the

apparatus based on a media specific identification information,

wherein said storing unit stores the recording history information associating with

media specific identification information of the first recording medium, and

wherein said determining unit determines when the first recording medium is

mounted.

27. (New) The information processing method according to Claim 3, further

comprising:

a judging step for judging whether a predetermined recording medium is mounted to

the apparatus based on a media specific identification information,

wherein said storing step stores the recording history information associating with

media specific identification information of the first recording medium, and

wherein said determining step determines when the first recording medium is

mounted.

28. (New) The program according to Claim 4, further comprising:

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code for a judging step for judging whether a predetermined recording medium is mounted to the apparatus based on a media specific identification information,

wherein said storing control step stores the recording history information associating with media specific identification information of the first recording medium, and

wherein said determining step determines when the first recording medium is mounted.